## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

## CASE NO. 25-22635-CIV-ALTONAGA/Reid

**UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,** 

Plaintiff,

v.

LAW GROUP OF SOUTH FLORIDA, LLC, et al.,

Defendants.	
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## ORDER ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSING CASE

THIS CAUSE came before the Court *sua sponte*. On June 11, 2025, Plaintiff, Uber Technologies, Inc. initiated this action, alleging a wide-ranging scheme of fraudulent activity targeting Uber's passengers and insurance processes, including staged accidents, fraudulent medical treatments, and coordinated efforts to generate phony personal injury claims. (*See generally* Compl. [ECF No. 1]). Plaintiff asserts claims under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("RICO"), along with related state-law claims. (*See id.* ¶¶ 179–312).

Months earlier, on January 30, 2025, Plaintiff filed a related action in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York — *Uber Technologies, Inc. v. Wingate, Russotti, Shapiro, Moses & Halperin, LLP* ("WRSMH"), No. 25-cv-522 (E.D.N.Y. 2025). The WRSMH case, like this one, centers on a similar alleged scheme to defraud Uber and its insurers, involving exaggerated or fabricated medical claims, questionable treatments, and orchestrated litigation tactics designed to inflate settlements and costs. (*See generally id.*, No. 25-cv-522, Compl. [ECF No. 1], filed on Jan. 30, 2025). Both cases are built on detailed allegations of interconnected actors and enterprises designed to exploit Uber's business and its passengers.

The WRSMH action is currently at the motion-to-dismiss stage. The court there has set a briefing schedule: defendants' motions to dismiss are due by June 23, 2025; oppositions by July 23, 2025; and replies by August 6, 2025. (See id., No. 25-cv-522, Paperless Order, filed May 5, 2025). Given the substantial overlap between these two cases — including shared allegations of fraud, RICO predicate acts, and coordinated conduct (albeit with different defendants and local details) — the Court finds that a temporary stay is appropriate. Such a stay will conserve judicial resources, promote consistent rulings, and avoid duplication of effort while the related action proceeds through the dispositive motion-to-dismiss stage; a ruling there may help inform what issues Defendants can and should raise in response to the Complaint here. See DeCaires v. Fin. Recovery Servs. of Minn., Inc., No. 21-cv-1785, 2022 WL 451479, at \*1 (M.D. Fla. Jan. 7, 2022) ("A district court has 'broad discretion to stay proceedings,' and a stay may be justified 'pending the resolution of a related case in another court." (quoting Ortega Trujillo v. Conover & Co. Commc'ns, 221 F.3d 1262, 1264 (11th Cir. 2000))).

## Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The case is **STAYED** pending resolution of the forthcoming motions to dismiss in *Uber Technologies, Inc. v. Wingate, Russotti, Shapiro, Moses & Halperin, LLP*, No. 25-cv-522 (E.D.N.Y. 2025).
- 2. The parties shall provide the Court with status updates regarding the related action every 30 days beginning from the date of this Order.
  - 3. Plaintiff's deadline to serve Defendants with the Complaint shall not be extended.
- 4. The case is **ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSED**, for statistical purposes only, without prejudice to the substantive rights of any of the parties. Any party may move to reopen the case at the appropriate time; any such motion must be accompanied by a proposed joint scheduling

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report.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Miami, Florida, this 11th day of June, 2025.

CECILIA M. ALTONAGA

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

cc: counsel of record